

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA**

CHARLES L. WARNER, et al.,)	
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Plaintiffs,)	
)	
vs.)	Case No. CIV-14-665-F
)	
KEVIN J. GROSS, et al.,)	
)	
Defendants.)	

**ERIC PFEIFER, M.D., OKLAHOMA OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL
EXAMINER’S UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO
RELEASE RECORDS WITH BRIEF IN SUPPORT**

Eric Pfeifer, M.D. and the Oklahoma Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (“OCME”) respectfully request that this Court issue an Order authorizing OCME to release and deliver to Patti Palmer Ghezzi, Federal Public Defender’s Office, 215 Dean A. McGee Avenue, Ste. 707, Oklahoma City, OK 73102 all documents in the Medical Examiner Case File concerning the death of Clayton Lockett collected following his death on April 29, 2014 in McAlester, Oklahoma. Ms. Ghezzi has previously issued a subpoena duces tecum for these documents.

A court order for the release of these records is required by Okla. Stat. Ann. tit. 63, § 939 which provides as follows:

Except as otherwise provided by law, the Chief Medical Examiner shall produce records, documents, evidence or other material of any nature **only upon the order of a court of competent jurisdiction**. An interested party or litigant in a civil or criminal action may make application for an order to

produce such materials. The court, after notice to all parties, including the Chief Medical Examiner, and a hearing on the application, may, upon the showing of good cause, direct the release of a copy or any part of such material. In addition, the court may also direct the payment of reasonable costs by the requesting party for the production of the material. The production of such material shall take place at the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner unless, upon a showing of good cause, specifically ordered otherwise by the court. (Emphasis supplied).

The documents for which release authorization is requested consist of all documents in the Medical Examiner Case File concerning the death of Clayton Lockett collected following his death on April 29, 2014 in McAlester, Oklahoma except those portions of the documents which may reveal the identity of persons, businesses, or other entities who participated or administered the execution process and are therefore confidential under Okla. Stat. Ann. tit. 22, § 2015(B). Counsel for Plaintiffs and OCME have agreed that the identity of such persons, businesses, or other entities will be redacted from documents released. Movants also request that the Motion of Plaintiff s for Holding of Contempt and Other Relief (doc. No. 66) be denied as moot without prejudice to filing a motion to compel. Opposing counsel does not object to this motion.

WHEREFORE, Eric Pfeifer, M.D. and the Oklahoma Office of the Chief Medical Examiner request that this Court enter an order under Okla. Stat. Ann. tit. 63, § 939 authorizing the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner to release and deliver to Patti Palmer Ghezzi, Federal Public Defender's Office, 215 Dean A. McGee Avenue, Ste. 707, Oklahoma City, OK 73102 all documents in the Medical Examiner Case File concerning the death of

Clayton Lockett and allowing OCME to redact the identity of persons, businesses, or entities who participated or administered the execution process.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 5th day of November, 2014, I electronically transmitted the foregoing document to the Clerk of Court using the ECF System for filing and transmittal of a Notice of Electronic Filing to the following ECF registrants:

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